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First report of the General Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its first and second meetings, on 17 and 18 September 1997, the General Committee considered a memorandum by the Secretary-General relating to the organization of the fifty-second regular session and future sessions of the General Assembly, the adoption of the agenda and the allocation of items (A/BUR/52/1). A summary of the discussion will appear in the summary records of the meetings (A/BUR/52/SR.1 and 2).

2. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General in paragraph 3 of his memorandum (A/BUR/52/1), the General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to the provisions reproduced in annexes V, VI, VII and VIII to its rules of procedure.

3. The General Committee took note of General Assembly resolution 48/264 of 29 July 1994, entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", and to annex I thereto, entitled "Guidelines on the rationalization of the agenda of the General Assembly". The Committee also took note of annex I to General Assembly resolution 50/227 of 24 May 1996, entitled "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields". The provisions of the resolutions are reflected in the present document under the relevant headings.

II. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

A. General Committee

4. The General Committee took note of the General Assembly decisions relevant to its work that were brought to the Committee's attention by the Secretary-General in paragraph 5 of his memorandum (A/BUR/52/1).

B. Rationalization of work

5. The General Committee took note (A/BUR/52/1, paras. 6 and 7) of the measures undertaken by the Secretary-General in pursuance of the goal of renewal and reform, in particular to recommendations 2, 3 and 7 of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts to Review the Efficiency of the Administrative and Financial Functioning of the United Nations[1] as reflected in his progress reports on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 41/213 (A/42/234, A/43/286, A/44/222), as well as a supplementary report submitted to the forty-fifth session of the Assembly (A/45/226). The Committee also took note of Assembly resolution 46/232 of 2 March 1992 on the revitalization of the United Nations Secretariat, resolutions 46/235 of 13 April 1992, 48/162 of 20 December 1993 and 50/227 on the restructuring and revitalization of the

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[1] Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/41/49).

United Nations in the economic, social and related fields and resolution 48/264 and annex I thereto on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly.

6. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, para. 8), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 5 of the annex to resolution 45/45 (A/520/Rev.15 and Amend.1, annex VIII), which reads as follows:

> "5. The General Committee should consider, at the beginning of each session of the General Assembly, recommending that certain Main Committees should meet in sequential order, taking into account such matters as the number of meetings required for the consideration of the questions with which they are charged at that session, the organization of the work of the whole session and the problem of participation of small delegations."

The Committee also draws the Assembly's attention to paragraph 23 of annex I to resolution 50/227, which reads as follows:

> "23. To the extent feasible, the discussions in the Second and Third Committees should not commence until after the end of the general debate in the plenary meetings of the General Assembly."

7. The General Committee took note of the fact that measures introduced to reduce costs relating to overtime will be strictly enforced.

C. Closing date of the session

8. In accordance with the provisions of rule 2 of the rules of procedure, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly that the fifty-first session should recess not later than Tuesday, 16 December 1997.

9. The General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to the fact that the closing date of the fifty-second session will be subject to the implementation of resolution 51/241 of 31 July 1997 on strengthening of the United Nations system.

10. The Committee also recommends to the Assembly that all the Main Committees should start their work as soon as possible and make every effort to complete their work by Friday, 28 November 1997.

D. Schedule of meetings

11. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, para. 11), the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly that morning meetings should start at 10 a.m. promptly for all plenary meetings and meetings of the Main Committees during the fifty-second session. The Committee also recommends to the Assembly that, as a cost-saving measure, every effort should be made to ensure that plenary meetings and meetings of the Main Committees adjourn by 6 p.m., and that no meetings be held on weekends. The Committee also recommends

to the Assembly that this cost-saving measure should also apply, for the remainder of 1997, to meetings on the calendar of conferences and meetings.

12. Also at the suggestion of the Secretary-General (ibid., para. 12), the General Committee recommends that, in order to avoid the late start of meetings, the General Assembly should waive the requirement of the presence of at least one third of the members to declare a plenary meeting open and permit the debate to proceed and one quarter of the members to declare a meeting of a Main Committee open and permit the debate to proceed. This recommendation is made on the understanding that such a waiver would not imply any permanent change in the provisions of rules 67 and 108 of the rules of procedure and that the requirement of the presence of a majority of the members for any decision to be taken would be maintained.

13. In this connection, the General Committee also recommends to the General Assembly that delegations should be reminded of the utmost importance of punctuality in the interest of ensuring an effective and orderly organization of work and achieving economies for the United Nations.

E. General debate

14. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, paras. 14 and 15), the General Committee recommends that:

(a) The general debate should begin on Monday, 22 September and end on Friday, 10 October 1997;

(b) The list of speakers in the general debate should be closed on Wednesday, 24 September, at 6 p.m.

15. On the proposal of the Secretary-General (ibid., para. 16), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to the decision taken by the Assembly at previous sessions, namely, that the practice of expressing congratulations inside the General Assembly Hall after a speech has been delivered is prohibited. In this connection, the Committee recommends to the Assembly that speakers in the general debate, after delivering their statements, should leave the Assembly Hall through room GA-200 located behind the podium before returning to their seats.

F. Explanations of vote, right of reply, points of order and length of statements

16. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, para. 17), the General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 of its decision 34/401 (A/520/Rev.15, annex VI), which read as follows:

"6. Explanations of vote should be limited to ten minutes.

"7. When the same draft resolution is considered in a Main Committee and in plenary meeting, a delegation should, as far as possible, explain

its vote only once, i.e., either in the Committee or in plenary meeting, unless that delegation's vote in plenary meeting is different from its vote in the Committee.

"8. Delegations should exercise their right of reply at the end of the day whenever two meetings have been scheduled for that day and whenever such meetings are devoted to the consideration of the same item."

17. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, para. 18), the General Committee, in line with time limits for explanations of vote and right of reply, recommends to the General Assembly that points of order should be limited to five minutes.

18. Furthermore, in connection with the length of statements, with a view to streamlining the procedures of the General Assembly and as a cost-saving measure, the General Committee draws the attention of the Assembly, as it did at recent sessions, to rules 72 and 114 of the rules of procedure and paragraph 22 of annex VI thereto for appropriate action in plenary meeting and the Main Committees.

G. Records of meetings

19. As at past sessions (A/BUR/52/1, para. 20), verbatim records will continue to be provided, during the fifty-second session, for the plenary meetings of the General Assembly and meetings of the First Committee, and summary records will be provided to the General Committee and the Main Committees of the Assembly. In accordance with the recommendation of the Special Committee on the Rationalization of the Procedures and Organization of the General Assembly (A/520/Rev.15, annex V, para. 108 (b)), the General Committee recommends that the Assembly should maintain for the fifty-second session the practice whereby the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) may obtain, on specific request, transcriptions of the debates of some of its meetings, or portions thereof. These transcriptions, which would not be part of the official records of the Committee, would be provided as the required services became available. Furthermore, the General Committee draws the Assembly's attention to paragraphs 8 and 9 of its resolution 38/32 E of 25 November 1983, which read as follows:

"8. Decides that the practice of reproducing statements in extenso as separate documents shall be discontinued for all its subsidiary organs that are entitled to summary records;

"9. Decides further that any exceptions to this rule may be made by the body concerned only if the statements are to serve as bases for discussion and if, after hearing a statement of the relevant financial implications, the body decides that one or more statements in extenso may be included in the summary record, or reproduced as separate documents or as annexes to authorized documents."

In this connection, the General Committee also recommends to the Assembly that the practice not to reproduce in extenso statements made in a Main Committee should be maintained for the fifty-second session.

H. Concluding statements

20. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, para. 22), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 17 of its decision 34/401 (A/520/Rev.15, annex VI), which reads as follows:

> "17. To save time at the end of the session, the practice of making concluding statements in the General Assembly and its Main Committees should be dispensed with except for statements by the presiding officers."

I. Resolutions

21. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, para. 23), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 32 of its decision 34/401, which reads as follows:

> "32. Whenever possible, resolutions requesting the discussion of a question at a subsequent session should not call for the inclusion of a separate new item and such discussion should be held under the item under which the resolution was adopted."

22. Furthermore, at the suggestion of the Secretary-General (ibid., para. 24), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to recommendation 3 (f) of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts, which reads as follows:

> "(f) Efforts should be made to reduce the number of resolutions adopted by the General Assembly. Resolutions should request reports of the Secretary-General only in cases where that would be indispensable for facilitating the implementation of these resolutions or the continued examination of the question."

23. In this connection, the General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to paragraph 5 of its resolution 48/264, which reads as follows:

> "5. Encourages Member States to exercise restraint in making proposals requesting new reports of the Secretary-General, bearing in mind the desirability of reducing the number of such reports."

24. The General Committee also draws the attention of the General Assembly to paragraph 24 of annex I to resolution 50/227, which reads as follows:

> "24. For issues of a procedural nature, decisions, instead of resolutions, should be used to the maximum extent possible. Resolutions should be shorter, in particular as regards preambular parts. The bureaux,

in reviewing the respective agendas, could identify and recommend those individual items or clusters of related items that could be effectively considered in omnibus resolutions."

25. The General Committee also draws the attention of the General Assembly to paragraphs 1 and 10 of the annex to resolution 45/45 (A/520/Rev.15/Amend.1, annex VIII).

J. Documentation

26. On the proposal of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, para. 28), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 28 of its decision 34/401, which reads as follows:

> "28. The General Assembly, including its Main Committees, should merely take note of those reports of the Secretary-General or subsidiary organs which do not require a decision by the Assembly and should neither debate nor adopt resolutions on them, unless specifically requested to do so by the Secretary-General or the organ concerned."

27. The General Committee also draws the attention of the General Assembly to paragraph 6 of its resolution 48/264, which reads as follows:

> "6. Emphasizes that reports requested of the Secretary-General should be made available in all official languages in a timely manner in accordance with the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and the annexes thereto with a view to enabling delegations to consider the substance of such reports more thoroughly in advance of meetings."

The Committee also draws the attention of the Assembly to paragraph 4 of resolution 50/206 C of 23 December 1995, in which the Assembly once again requested the Secretary-General "to ensure that documentation is available in accordance with the six-week rule for the distribution of documents, simultaneously in each of the six official languages of the United Nations".

28. The General Committee took note of the fact that, as announced earlier, a target had been set for an early reduction in the documentation produced by the Secretariat and that the volume of pre-session documentation for the fifty-second session was projected at a level slightly below that of previous comparable years.

K. Questions related to the programme budget

29. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, paras. 31 and 32), who referred to rule 153 of the rules of procedure, the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraphs 12 and 13 of its decision 34/401, which read as follows:

> "12. It is imperative that Main Committees should allow sufficient time for the preparation of the estimate of expenditures by the Secretariat

and for its consideration by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee and that they should take this requirement into account when they adopt their programme of work;

"13. Furthermore:

"(a) A mandatory deadline, not later than 1 December, should be established for the submission to the Fifth Committee of all draft resolutions with financial implications;

"(b) The Fifth Committee should, as a general practice, consider accepting without debate the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the financial implications of draft resolutions up to a prescribed limit, namely, $25,000 on any one item;

"(c) Firm deadlines should be set for the early submission of the reports of subsidiary organs which require consideration by the Fifth Committee;

"(d) A minimum period of forty-eight hours should be allowed between the submission and the voting of a proposal involving expenditure in order to allow the Secretary-General to prepare and present the related statement of administrative and financial implications."

The General Committee also draws the attention of the Assembly to paragraph 6 of its resolution 35/10 A of 3 November 1980, which reads as follows:

"6. Decides that all proposals affecting the schedule of conferences and meetings made at sessions of the General Assembly shall be reviewed by the Committee on Conferences when administrative implications are being considered under the requirements of rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly."

30. Also at the suggestion of the Secretary-General (ibid., para. 31), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to regulation 4.9 of the Regulations Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (resolution 37/234, annex), which reads as follows:

"Regulation 4.9. No Council, Commission or other competent body shall take a decision involving either a change in the programme budget approved by the General Assembly or the possible requirement of expenditure unless it has received and taken account of a report from the Secretary-General on the programme budget implications of the proposal."

31. In connection with subparagraph 13 (d) of decision 34/401 quoted above, the General Committee wishes to draw the attention of the General Assembly to the observations of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, paras. 33 and 34) regarding the fact that, depending on the type and complexity of proposals involving changes in the work programme and additional expenditures, the preparation of a statement of programme budget implications by the Secretary-General may take a

few days. In addition, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee need adequate time to review the programme budget implications of a draft resolution before the latter can be acted on by the Assembly. The Secretary-General thus considers it desirable that Member States submit proposals involving statements of programme budget implications sufficiently in advance to avoid the cancellation of meetings and the postponement of consideration of items.

L. Observances and commemorative meetings

32. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, para. 35), the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly that, allowing for the necessary flexibility and with the exception of the anniversary of the United Nations, the Assembly should adopt the following format for commemorative meetings: statements by the President of the General Assembly and the Secretary-General, statements by the chairmen of the five regional groups and by the representative of the host country. The Committee also recommends that consideration be given to limiting each statement to 15 minutes.

33. The General Committee further recommends, at the suggestion of the Secretary-General (ibid., para. 36), that observances and commemorative meetings should take place, as far as possible, immediately following the general debate. The advantage of such a procedure is that it may facilitate the participation of dignitaries attending the general debate. This procedure would also allow advance planning of the work of the General Assembly.

M. Special conferences

34. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, para. 37), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to recommendation 6 of the Committee on Conferences, adopted by the Assembly in paragraph (b) of its decision 34/405, which reads as follows:

> "(b) The Committee, taking into account difficulties encountered in ensuring adequate preparation of meetings, including timely distribution of documentation, as well as the ability of Member States to participate fully, recommends that the General Assembly should instruct the Main Committees to review the number of special conferences of the United Nations already proposed and scheduled in their respective fields of activity prior to deciding upon the scheduling of new and additional special conferences, thus bearing in mind the relevant portions of General Assembly resolution 33/55."

The General Committee also draws the Assembly's attention to recommendation 2(d) of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts, which reads as follows:

> "Until 1978, a number of resolutions had requested that only one major conference be scheduled annually. The decision of the General Assembly that no more than five special conferences should take place in a given

year and that no more than one special conference should be convened at the same time should be strictly implemented."

35. Furthermore, at the suggestion of the Secretary-General (ibid., para. 38), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to the relevant provisions of recommendation 4 of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts which reads as follows:

"The existing principle that United Nations bodies should meet at their respective established headquarters, as provided for in General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, should be strictly enforced. Whenever the Assembly accepts an invitation from the Government of a Member State to hold a conference or meeting away from established headquarters, the additional cost should be borne in full by that Government. The methods of budgeting these costs should be improved so as to ensure that all additional costs are accounted for."

N. Meetings of subsidiary organs

36. The General Committee, in the light of recommendations submitted by the Committee on Conferences (A/52/340), recommends to the General Assembly, on the strict understanding that meetings would have to be accommodated within available facilities and services, that the following subsidiary organs should be authorized to meet during the main part of the fifty-first session:

(a) Committee for Programme and Coordination;

(b) Committee on Conferences;

(c) Committee on Relations with the Host Country;

(d) Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People;

(e) Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.

III. OBSERVATIONS ON THE ORGANIZATION OF FUTURE SESSIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

37. The General Committee was informed that, since the General Assembly decided, at its forty-sixth session, in 1991, that its regular sessions should close on the Monday preceding the opening of the next session in September of the following year, the Assembly has met frequently between January and September. During its fiftieth session, the Assembly held 28 meetings between February and September 1996, which was more than a quarter of the total of 100 plenary meetings that the Assembly had held from September to December 1995. There has been a slight improvement in 1997: the Assembly has held 17 plenary meetings since January. However, it should be noted that that figure includes neither the meetings of the tenth emergency special session (5 plenary meetings)

nor those of the nineteenth special session (11 plenary meetings). With the exception of the meetings of the nineteenth special session, these meetings were not envisaged in the calendar of meetings and therefore ad hoc arrangements were required to continue to provide adequate secretariat services, at the expense of other requirements.

38. In this connection, at the suggestion of the Secretary-General, the General Committee draws the attention of the General Assembly to resolution 51/241, which is to be implemented as of 1 January 1998, and especially to section VI (Timing of the plenary meetings of the General Assembly) of the annex to the resolution.

IV. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

39. The General Committee considered the draft agenda of the fifty-second session submitted by the Secretary-General in his memorandum (A/BUR/52/1). All the items contained in the draft agenda formed part of the following documents:

(a) Provisional agenda of the fifty-second session (A/52/150 and Corr.1);

(b) Supplementary list (A/52/200);

(c) Request for the inclusion of an additional item (A/52/232).

40. The General Committee took note of paragraphs 4 and 5 (a) and (c) of annex I to resolution 48/264, which read as follows:

> "4. There shall be periodic reviews of the agenda, taking into account the views of concerned Member States, in order to ascertain whether it is possible to delete any item on which no resolution or decision has been adopted for a period of time.
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> "5. The Main Committees should be encouraged to continue with the review of their respective agendas, taking into account, inter alia, the following:
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> "(a) Agenda items concerning issues of closely related substance could be merged within a single agenda title or be incorporated as sub-items where this is possible without loss of focus on the items/sub-items concerned;
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> "...
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> "(c) Biennialization and triennialization of items on the agenda of the Main Committees could be considered in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly."

In this connection, the attention of the General Committee was drawn to paragraph 24 of the annex to resolution 51/241, which reaffirms the provisions mentioned above. In addition, bearing in mind the extremely heavy workload of the General Assembly and the need to make the most effective use of scarce

resources, the General Committee took note of the suggestion by the Secretary-General to consider deferring to a later session items for which decisions or action are not required at the main part of the present session.

41. With regard to item 94 of the draft agenda (Question of the Malagasy islands of Glorieuses, Juan de Nova, Europa and Bassas da India), the General Committee decided to recommend that the consideration of the item should be deferred to the fifty-third session and that the item should be included in the provisional agenda of that session.

42. In connection with item 95 of the draft agenda (Question of East Timor), the General Committee decided to recommend that the consideration of the item should be deferred to the fifty-third session and that the item should be included in the provisional agenda of that session.

43. With regard to item 157 of the draft agenda (Draft guiding principles for international negotiations), the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion as a sub-item of item 148 of the draft agenda (United Nations Decade of International Law).

44. In connection with item 158 of the draft agenda (Amendment to article 13 of the statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal), the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion.

45. With regard to item 159 of the draft agenda (Need to review General Assembly resolution 2758 (XXVI) of 25 October 1971 owing to the fundamental change in the international situation and to the coexistence of two Governments across the Taiwan Strait), the General Committee decided not to recommend its inclusion.

46. In connection with item 160 of the draft agenda (Towards a culture of peace), the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion.

47. With regard to item 162 of the draft agenda (Observer status for the Andean Community in the General Assembly), the General Committee decided to recommend its inclusion.

48. Taking into account paragraphs 39 to 47 above, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following agenda:[2]

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Malaysia (P.1).

2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation (P.2).

3. Credentials of representatives to the fifty-second session of the General Assembly (P.3):

   (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;

   (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.

4. Election of the President of the General Assembly (P.4).

5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees (P.5).

6. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly (P.6).

7. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations (P.7).

8. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: reports of the General Committee (P.8).

9. General debate (P.9).

10. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (P.10).

11. Report of the Security Council (P.11).

12. Report of the Economic and Social Council (P.12).

13. Report of the International Court of Justice (P.13).

14. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (P.14).

15. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs (P.15):

   (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council;

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[2] Abbreviations used in the present document:

(P.): item on the provisional agenda (A/52/150 and Corr.1);

(S.): item on the supplementary list (A/52/200);

(A.): additional item (A/52/232).

(b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council.

16. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections (P.16):

(a) Election of twenty-nine members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme;

(b) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination;

(c) Election of nineteen members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;

(d) Election of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme.

17. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (P.17):

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;

(c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;

(d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;

(e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;

(f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission;

(g) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee;

(h) Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women;

(i) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences;

(j) Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit.

18. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (P.18).

19. Admission of new Members to the United Nations (P.19).

20. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (P.20):

    (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations;

    (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions;

    (c) Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan;

    (d) Assistance to the Palestinian people;

    (e) Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development;

    (f) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster.

21. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (P.21).

22. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Agency for Cultural and Technical Cooperation (P.22).

23. Multilingualism (P.23).

24. Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal (P.24).

25. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System (P.25).

26. University for Peace (P.26).

27. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin (P.27).

28. Universal Congress on the Panama Canal (P.28).

29. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union (P.29).

30. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba (P.30).

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36. Question of Palestine (P.36).

37. The situation in the Middle East (P.37).

38. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies (P.38).

39. Oceans and the law of the sea (P.39):

    (a) Law of the sea;

    (b) Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks;

    (c) Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and fisheries by-catch and discards.

40. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (P.40).

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50. Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (P.50).

51. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986 (P.51).

52. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security (P.52).

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61. Question of Cyprus (P.61).

62. Compliance with arms limitation and disarmament obligations (P.62).

63. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification (P.63).

64. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (P.64).

65. Reduction of military budgets (P.65):

(a) Reduction of military budgets;

(b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.

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(f) Relationship between disarmament and development;

(g) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;

(h) Measures to curb the illicit transfer and use of conventional arms;

(i) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;

(j) Regional disarmament;

(k) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons;

(l) Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures;

(m) Nuclear disarmament;

(n) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;

(o) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;

(p) Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and of vehicles for their delivery in all its aspects.

72. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (P.72):

(a) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;

(b) Regional confidence-building measures;

(c) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons.

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(c) Food and sustainable agricultural development.

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(a) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership;

(b) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s;

(c) Population and development;

(d) International migration and development, including the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development;

(e) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II);

(f) First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty;

(g) Women in development;

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98. Environment and sustainable development (P.100):

(a) Implementation of decisions and recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development;

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa;

(c) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind;

(d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction;

(e) Convention on Biological Diversity;

(f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;

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(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives;

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(a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission;

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134. Financing of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda (P.136).

135. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (P.137).

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137. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (P.139).

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142. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (P.144):

(a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations;

(b) Relocation of Ukraine to the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232.

143. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (P.145).

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145. United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law (P.147).

146. United Nations Decade of International Law (P.148):

(a) United Nations Decade of International Law;

(b) Action to be taken in 1999 dedicated to the centennial of the first International Peace Conference and to the closing of the United Nations Decade of International Law;

(c) Draft guiding principles for international negotiations.[3]

147. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-ninth session (P.149).

148. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirtieth session (P.150).

149. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (P.151).

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151. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (P.153).

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153. Human resources management (P.155).

154. Financing of the Military Observer Group of the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (P.156).

155. Amendment to article 13 of the statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal (P.158).[4]

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[3] See para. 43.

[4] See para. 44.

156. Towards a culture of peace (S.1).[5]

157. United Nations reform: measures and proposals (S.2).

158. Observer status for the Andean Community in the General Assembly (A.1).[6]

V. ALLOCATION OF ITEMS

49. At the suggestion of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/52/1, para. 46), the General Committee draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 4 of its decision 34/401 (A/520/Rev.15, annex VI), which reads as follows:

> "4. Substantive items should normally be discussed initially in a Main Committee and, therefore, items previously allocated to plenary meetings should henceforth be referred to a Main Committee unless there are compelling circumstances requiring their continued consideration in plenary meeting."

The General Committee also draws the attention of the Assembly to paragraph 3 of annex I to resolution 48/264 and to the relevant paragraphs of resolutions 39/88 B and 45/45 (A/520/Rev.15 and Amend.1, annexes VII and VIII). Paragraph 5 of the annex to resolution 39/88 B reads as follows:

> "5. The Chairmen of the Main Committees should take the initiative, in the light of past experience, to propose the grouping of similar or related items and the holding of a single general debate on them."

Paragraph 6 of the annex to resolution 45/45 reads as follows:

> "6. In making recommendations as to how agenda items should be allocated to the Main Committees and the plenary of the General Assembly, the General Committee should ensure the best use of the expertise of the Committees."

In this connection, the General Committee also draws the General Assembly's attention to paragraphs 2 and 5 (b) and (d) of annex I to resolution 48/264, which read as follows:

> "2. Agenda items which are of a nature that relates to more than one Main Committee or which do not come within the purview of any Main Committee should be considered by the General Assembly in plenary meeting, taking into account the recommendations of the General Committee.
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> "...

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[5] See para. 46.

[6] See para. 47.

"5. The Main Committees should be encouraged to continue with the review of their respective agendas, taking into account, inter alia, the following:

"...

"(b) Items that cover related matters or issues could be considered in agreed clusters;

"...

"(d) The existing broad division of work among the Main Committees should be maintained."

50. Taking into account the recommendations in section IV above regarding the inclusion of items in the agenda, the General Committee approved the allocation of items contained in paragraph 56 of the Secretary-General's memorandum (A/BUR/52/1) with the following modifications:

(a) Plenary meetings

(i) Item 10 (Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it hear a brief presentation by the Secretary-General on his annual report (A/52/1) on Monday, 22 September, as the first item in the morning prior to the opening of the general debate.

(ii) Item 18 (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples)

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should refer to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) chapters of the report of the Special Committee (A/52/23) relating to specific Territories so that the Assembly might deal in plenary meeting with the question of the implementation of the Declaration as a whole.

(iii) Item 48 (Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas))

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be considered directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that bodies and individuals having an interest in the question would be heard in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in conjunction with the consideration of the item in plenary meeting.

(iv) Item 61 (Question of Cyprus)

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly allocate the item at an appropriate time during the session.

(v) Item 156 (Towards a culture of peace)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

(vi) Item 158 (Observer status for the Andean Community in the General Assembly)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

(b) First Committee

Item 71 (General and complete disarmament)

The General Committee decided to recommend that the relevant paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/52/285), which is to be considered directly in plenary meeting under item 14, should be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 71.

(c) Third Committee

Item 105 (Advancement of women)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the operations, management and budget of the United Nations Development Fund for Women should be referred to the Second Committee for consideration under item 99 (Operational activities for development).

(d) Fifth Committee

Item 118 (Joint Inspection Unit)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Fifth Committee, on the understanding that the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit dealing with subject matters assigned to other Main Committees would be referred also to those Committees.

(e) Sixth Committee

(i) Item 146 (c) (Draft guiding principles for international negotiations)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Sixth Committee as a sub-item of item 146 (United Nations Decade of International Law)

(ii) Item 155 (Amendment to article 13 of the statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Sixth Committee.

51. Taking into account paragraphs 49 and 50 above, the General Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following allocation of items:

The numbering in parentheses used in the allocation of items (D.) follows the draft agenda in section IV (para. 48).

Plenary meetings

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Malaysia (D.1).

2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation (D.2).

3. Credentials of representatives to the fifty-second session of the General Assembly (D.3):

   (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;

   (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.

4. Election of the President of the General Assembly (D.4).

5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees (D.5).

6. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly (D.6).

7. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations (D.7).

8. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: reports of the General Committee (D.8).

9. General debate (D.9).

10. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (D.10).[8]

11. Report of the Security Council (D.11).

12. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I, II, III, IV, V (sections A, B, D and H), VI and VII] (D.12).[9]

13. Report of the International Court of Justice (D.13).

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[8] See para. 50 (a) (i).

[9] The chapters of the report listed below would be referred also to the Second, Third and Fifth Committees, as follows:

(a) Chapters I, V (section B) and VII ..... Second, Third and Fifth Committees

(b) Chapters II and III ..... Second Committee

(c) Chapters IV and V (sections A and H) ..... Second and Third Committees

14. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (D.14).[10]

15. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs (D.15):

(a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council;

(b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council.

16. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections (D.16):

(a) Election of twenty-nine members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme;

(b) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination;

(c) Election of nineteen members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;

(d) Election of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme.

17. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (D.17):[11]

(h) Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women;

(i) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences;

(j) Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit.

18. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (D.18).[12]

19. Admission of new Members to the United Nations (D.19).

20. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (D.20):

(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations;

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[10] See para. 50 (b).

[11] For sub-items (a) to (g), see "Fifth Committee", item 35.

[12] See para. 50 (a) (ii).

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions;

(c) Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan;

(d) Assistance to the Palestinian people;

(e) Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development;

(f) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster.

21. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (D.21).

22. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Agency for Cultural and Technical Cooperation (D.22).

23. Multilingualism (D.23).

24. Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal (D.24).

25. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System (D.25).

26. University for Peace (D.26).

27. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin (D.27).

28. Universal Congress on the Panama Canal (D.28).

29. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union (D.29).

30. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba (D.30).

31. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference (D.31).

32. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic (D.32).

33. Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States (D.33).

34. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization (D.34).

35. Elimination of coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion (D.35).

36. Question of Palestine (D.36).

37. The situation in the Middle East (D.37).

38. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies (D.38).

39. Oceans and the law of the sea (D.39):

    (a) Law of the sea;

    (b) Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks;

    (c) Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and fisheries by-catch and discards.

40. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (D.40).

41. Assistance in mine clearance (D.41).

42. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity (D.42).

43. The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (D.43).

44. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti (D.44).

45. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (D.45).

46. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development (D.46).

47. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (D.47).

48. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (D.48).[13]

49. Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (D.49).

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[13] See para. 50 (a) (iii).

50. Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (D.50).

51. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986 (D.51).

52. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security (D.52).

53. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait (D.53).

54. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations (D.54).

55. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte (D.55).

56. Launching of global negotiations on international economic cooperation for development (D.56).

57. The situation in Burundi (D.57).

58. Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields (D.58).

59. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters (D.59).

60. Strengthening of the United Nations system (D.60).

61. Towards a culture of peace (D.156).[14]

62. United Nations reform: measures and proposals (D.157).

63. Observer status for the Andean Community in the General Assembly (D.158)[15]

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[14] See para. 50 (a) (v).

[15] See para. 50 (a) (vi).

First Committee

1. Compliance with arms limitation and disarmament obligations (D.62).

2. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification (D.63).

3. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (D.64).

4. Reduction of military budgets (D.65):

   (a) Reduction of military budgets;

   (b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.

5. The role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament (D.66).

6. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East (D.67).

7. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia (D.68).

8. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons (D.69).

9. Prevention of an arms race in outer space (D.70).

10. General and complete disarmament (D.71)[16]

   (a) Notification of nuclear tests;

   (b) Small arms;

   (c) Transparency in armaments;

   (d) Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas;

   (e) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament: report of the Preparatory Committee for the Fourth Special Session of the General Assembly Devoted to Disarmament;

   (f) Relationship between disarmament and development;

   (g) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;

   (h) Measures to curb the illicit transfer and use of conventional arms;

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[16] See para. 50 (b).

(i) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;

(j) Regional disarmament;

(k) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons;

(l) Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures;

(m) Nuclear disarmament;

(n) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;

(o) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;

(p) Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and of vehicles for their delivery in all its aspects.

11. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (D.72):

(a) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;

(b) Regional confidence-building measures;

(c) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons.

12. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session (D.73):

(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(c) Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters;

(d) United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research.

13. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East (D.74).

14. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects (D.75).

15. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region (D.76).

16. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace (D.77).

17. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) (D.78).

18. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty (D.79).

19. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction (D.80).

20. Maintenance of international security (D.81).

21. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security (D.82).

22. Rationalization of the work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee (D.83).

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1. Effects of atomic radiation (D.84).

2. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (D.85).

3. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (D.86).

4. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories (D.87).

5. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects (D.88).

6. Questions relating to information (D.89).

7. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations (D.90).

8. Activities of foreign economic and other interests which impede the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Territories under colonial domination (D.91).

9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (D.92).

10. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapter V (section E)] (D.12).

11. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories (D.93).

12. The situation in the occupied territories of Croatia (D.96).

13. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (D.18).[17]

14. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (D.48).[18]

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[17] See para. 50 (a) (ii).

[18] See para. 50 (a) (iii).

Second Committee

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I, II, III, IV, V (sections A to C and F to J) and VII] (D.12).[19]

2. Macroeconomic policy questions (D.95):

   (a) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries;[20]

   (b) Trade and development;

   (c) Science and technology for development;

   (d) External debt crisis and development.

3. Sectoral policy questions (D.96):

   (a) Industrial development cooperation;

   (b) Business and development;

   (c) Food and sustainable agricultural development.

4. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation (D.97):

   (a) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership;

   (b) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s;

   (c) Population and development;

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[20] In its resolution 50/227, the General Assembly decided that the question of the International Conference on the Financing of Development would be considered under this item at the fifty-second session of the Assembly.

(d) International migration and development, including the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development;

(e) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II);

(f) First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty;

(g) Women in development;

(h) Human resources development;

(i) Cultural development.

5. Environment and sustainable development (D.98):

(a) Implementation of decisions and recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development;

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa;

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6. Operational activities for development (D.99):[a]

(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries.

7. Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research (D.100).

8. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources (D.101).

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[a] See para. 50 (c).

Third Committee

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I, IV, V (sections A to C and H) and VII] (D.12).[22]

2. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family (D.102).

3. Crime prevention and criminal justice (D.103).

4. International drug control (D.104).

5. Advancement of women (D.105).[23]

6. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women (D.106).

7. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions (D.107).

8. Promotion and protection of the rights of children (D.108).

9. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (D.109).

10. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (D.110).

11. Right of peoples to self-determination (D.111).

12. Human rights questions (D.112):

    (a) Implementation of human rights instruments;

    (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

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[23] See para. 50 (c).

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives;

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action;

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Fifth Committee

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (D.113):

   (a) United Nations peacekeeping operations;

   (b) United Nations Institute for Training and Research;

   (c) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations (D.114).

3. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 (D.115).

4. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (D.116).

5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations (D.117).

6. Joint Inspection Unit (D.118).[24]

7. Pattern of conferences (D.119).

8. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (D.120).

9. United Nations common system (D.121).

10. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East (D.122):

    (a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force;

    (b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.

11. Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (D.123).

12. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991) (D.124):

    (a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission;

    (b) Other activities.

13. Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (D.125).

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[24] See para. 50 (d).

14. Financing and liquidation of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (D.126).

15. Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters (D.127).

16. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II (D.128).

17. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique (D.129).

18. Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (D.130).

19. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (D.131).

20. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti (D.132).

21. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia (D.133).

22. Financing of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda (D.134).

23. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (D.135).

24. Financing of the United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan (D.136).

25. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (D.137).

26. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (D.138).

27. Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium (D.139).

28. Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force (D.140).

29. Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti (D.141).

30. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (D.142):

    (a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations;

    (b) Relocation of Ukraine to the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232.

31. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (D.143).

32. Human resources management (D.153).

33. Financing of the Military Observer Group of the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (D.154).

34. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I, V (section B) and VII] (D.12).[25]

35. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (D.17):[26]

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;

(c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;

(d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;

(e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;

(f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission;

(g) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee.

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[25] Chapters I, V (section B) and VII of the report would be referred also to plenary meetings and to the Second and Third Committees.

[26] For sub-items (h) to (j), see "Plenary meetings", item 17.

Sixth Committee

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2. United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law (D.145).

3. United Nations Decade of International Law (D.146):

   (a) United Nations Decade of International Law;

   (b) Action to be taken in 1999 dedicated to the centennial of the first International Peace Conference and to the closing of the United Nations Decade of International Law;

   (c) Draft guiding principles for international negotiations.[27]

4. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-ninth session (D.147).

5. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirtieth session (D.148).

6. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (D.149).

7. Establishment of an international criminal court (D.150).

8. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (D.151).

9. Measures to eliminate international terrorism (D.152).

10. Amendment to article 13 of the statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal (D.155).[28]

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[27] See para. 50 (e) (i).

[28] See para. 50 (e) (ii).

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6. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly.

7. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations.

8. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: reports of the General Committee.

9. General debate.

10. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization.

11. Report of the Security Council.

12. Report of the Economic and Social Council.

13. Report of the International Court of Justice.

14. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

15. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs:

   (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council;

   (b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council.

16. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections:

   (a) Election of twenty-nine members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme;

   (b) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination;

   (c) Election of nineteen members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;

(d) Election of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme.

17. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments:

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(c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;

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(e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;

(f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission;

(g) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee;

(h) Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women;

(i) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences;

(j) Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit.

18. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples.

19. Admission of new Members to the United Nations.

20. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance:

(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations;

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions;

(c) Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan;

(d) Assistance to the Palestinian people;

(e) Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development;

(f) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster.

21. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly.

22. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Agency for Cultural and Technical Cooperation.

23. Multilingualism.

24. Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal.

25. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System.

26. University for Peace.

27. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin.

28. Universal Congress on the Panama Canal.

29. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

30. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba.

31. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

32. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic.

33. Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States.

34. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization.

35. Elimination of coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion.

36. Question of Palestine.

37. The situation in the Middle East.

38. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies.

39. Oceans and the law of the sea:

(a) Law of the sea;

(b) Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks;

(c) Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and fisheries by-catch and discards.

40. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

41. Assistance in mine clearance.

42. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity.

43. The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security.

44. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti.

45. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development.

46. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development.

47. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

48. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).

49. Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991.

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51. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986.

52. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security.

53. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait.

54. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations.

55. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte.

56. Launching of global negotiations on international economic cooperation for development.

57. The situation in Burundi.

58. Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields.

59. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters.

60. Strengthening of the United Nations system.

61. Question of Cyprus.

62. Compliance with arms limitation and disarmament obligations.

63. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification.

64. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty.

65. Reduction of military budgets:

(a) Reduction of military budgets;

(b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.

66. The role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament.

67. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East.

68. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia.

69. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.

70. Prevention of an arms race in outer space.

71. General and complete disarmament:

(a) Notification of nuclear tests;

(b) Small arms;

(c) Transparency in armaments;

(d) Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas;

(e) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament: report of the Preparatory Committee for the Fourth Special Session of the General Assembly Devoted to Disarmament;

(f) Relationship between disarmament and development;

(g) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;

(h) Measures to curb the illicit transfer and use of conventional arms;

(i) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;

(j) Regional disarmament;

(k) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons;

(l) Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures;

(m) Nuclear disarmament;

(n) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;

(o) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;

(p) Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and of vehicles for their delivery in all its aspects.

72. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly:

(a) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;

(b) Regional confidence-building measures;

(c) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons.

73. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session:

(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(c) Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters;

(d) United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research.

74. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East.

75. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects.

76. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region.

77. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace.

78. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco).

79. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty.

80. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction.

81. Maintenance of international security.

82. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security.

83. Rationalization of the work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee.

84. Effects of atomic radiation.

85. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space.

86. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.

87. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories.

88. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects.

89. Questions relating to information.

90. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations.

91. Activities of foreign economic and other interests which impede the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Territories under colonial domination.

92. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations.

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(b) Chapters II and III ..... Second Committee

(c) Chapters IV and V (sections A and H) ..... Second and Third Committees

14. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (item 14).[2]

15. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs (item 15):

    (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council;

    (b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council.

16. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections (item 16):

    (a) Election of twenty-nine members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme;

    (b) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination;

    (c) Election of nineteen members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;

    (d) Election of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme.

17. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (item 17):[3]

    (h) Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women;

    (i) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences;

    (j) Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit.

18. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (item 18).[4]

19. Admission of new Members to the United Nations (item 19).

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[2] The General Assembly decided that the relevant paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/52/285) would be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 71.

[3] For sub-items (a) to (g), see "Fifth Committee", item 35.

[4] The General Assembly decided to refer to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) chapters of the report of the Special Committee (A/52/23) relating to specific Territories so that the Assembly might deal in plenary meeting with the question of the implementation of the Declaration as a whole.

20. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20):

    (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations;

    (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions;

    (c) Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan;

    (d) Assistance to the Palestinian people;

    (e) Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development;

    (f) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster.

21. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (item 21).

22. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Agency for Cultural and Technical Cooperation (item 22).

23. Multilingualism (item 23).

24. Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal (item 24).

25. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System (item 25).

26. University for Peace (item 26).

27. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin (item 27).

28. Universal Congress on the Panama Canal (item 28).

29. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union (item 29).

30. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba (item 30).

31. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference (item 31).

32. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic (item 32).

33. Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States (item 33).

34. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization (item 34).

35. Elimination of coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion (item 35).

36. Question of Palestine (item 36).

37. The situation in the Middle East (item 37).

38. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies (item 38).

39. Oceans and the law of the sea (item 39):

    (a) Law of the sea;

    (b) Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks;

    (c) Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and fisheries by-catch and discards.

40. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (item 40).

41. Assistance in mine clearance (item 41).

42. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity (item 42).

43. The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (item 43).

44. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti (item 44).

45. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (item 45).

46. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development (item 46).

47. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (item 47).

48. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (item 48).[5]

49. Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (item 49).

50. Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (item 50).

51. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986 (item 51).

52. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security (item 52).

53. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait (item 53).

54. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations (item 54).

55. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte (item 55).

56. Launching of global negotiations on international economic cooperation for development (item 56).

57. The situation in Burundi (item 57).

58. Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields (item 58).

59. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters (item 59).

60. Strengthening of the United Nations system (item 60).

61. Towards a culture of peace (item 156).

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[5] The General Assembly decided to consider the item directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that bodies and individuals having an interest in the question would be heard in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in conjunction with the consideration of the item in plenary meeting.

62. United Nations reform: measures and proposals (item 157).

63. Observer status for the Andean Community in the General Assembly (item 158).

First Committee

1. Compliance with arms limitation and disarmament obligations (item 62).

2. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification (item 63).

3. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (item 64).

4. Reduction of military budgets (item 65):

   (a) Reduction of military budgets;

   (b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.

5. The role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament (item 66).

6. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East (item 67).

7. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia (item 68).

8. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons (item 69).

9. Prevention of an arms race in outer space (item 70).

10. General and complete disarmament (item 71):

   (a) Notification of nuclear tests;

   (b) Small arms;

   (c) Transparency in armaments;

   (d) Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas;

   (e) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament: report of the Preparatory Committee for the Fourth Special Session of the General Assembly Devoted to Disarmament;

   (f) Relationship between disarmament and development;

   (g) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;

   (h) Measures to curb the illicit transfer and use of conventional arms;

   (i) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;

(j) Regional disarmament;

(k) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons;

(l) Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures;

(m) Nuclear disarmament;

(n) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;

(o) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;

(p) Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and of vehicles for their delivery in all its aspects.

11. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (item 72):

(a) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;

(b) Regional confidence-building measures;

(c) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons.

12. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session (item 73):

(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(c) Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters;

(d) United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research.

13. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East (item 74).

14. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects (item 75).

15. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region (item 76).

16. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace (item 77).

17. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) (item 78).

18. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty (item 79).

19. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction (item 80).

20. Maintenance of international security (item 81).

21. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security (item 82).

22. Rationalization of the work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee (item 83).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee
(Fourth Committee)

1. Effects of atomic radiation (item 84).

2. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (item 85).

3. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (item 86).

4. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories (item 87).

5. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects (item 88).

6. Questions relating to information (item 89).

7. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations (item 90).

8. Activities of foreign economic and other interests which impede the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Territories under colonial domination (item 91).

9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (item 92).

10. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapter V (section E)] (item 12).

11. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories (item 93).

12. The situation in the occupied territories of Croatia (item 94).

13. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (item 18).[4]

14. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (item 48).[5]

Second Committee

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I, II, III, IV, V (sections A to C and F to J) and VII] (item 12).[6]

2. Macroeconomic policy questions (item 95):

   (a) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries;[7]

   (b) Trade and development;

   (c) Science and technology for development;

   (d) External debt crisis and development.

3. Sectoral policy questions (item 96):

   (a) Industrial development cooperation;

   (b) Business and development;

   (c) Food and sustainable agricultural development.

4. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation (item 97):

   (a) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership;

   (b) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s;

   (c) Population and development;

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[6] The chapters of the report listed below have been referred also to plenary meetings and to the Third and Fifth Committees, as follows:

   (a) Chapters I, V (section B) and VII ..... Plenary meetings and Third and Fifth Committees

   (b) Chapters II and III ..... Plenary meetings

   (c) Chapters IV and V (sections A and H) .. Plenary meetings and Third Committee

   (d) Chapter V (section C) ..... Third Committee

[7] In its resolution 50/227, the General Assembly decided that the question of the International Conference on the Financing of Development would be considered under this sub-item at the fifty-second session of the Assembly.

(d) International migration and development, including the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development;

(e) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II);

(f) First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty;

(g) Women in development;

(h) Human resources development;

(i) Cultural development.

5. Environment and sustainable development (item 98):

(a) Implementation of decisions and recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development;

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa;

(c) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind;

(d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction;

(e) Convention on Biological Diversity;

(f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;

(g) Special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21.

6. Operational activities for development (item 99):[8]

(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries.

7. Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research (item 100).

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[8] The General Assembly decided that the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the operations, management and budget of the United Nations Development Fund for Women would be referred also to the Second Committee for consideration under item 99.

8. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources (item 101).

Third Committee

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I, IV, V (sections A to C and H) and VII] (item 12).[9]

2. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family (item 102).

3. Crime prevention and criminal justice (item 103).

4. International drug control (item 104).

5. Advancement of women (item 105).[8]

6. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women (item 106).

7. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions (item 107).

8. Promotion and protection of the rights of children (item 108).

9. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (item 109).

10. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (item 110).

11. Right of peoples to self-determination (item 111).

12. Human rights questions (item 112):

    (a) Implementation of human rights instruments;

    (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

    (c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives;

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[9] The chapters of the report listed below have been referred also to plenary meetings and to the Second and Fifth Committees, as follows:

(a)	Chapters I, V (section B) and VII	Plenary meetings and Second and Fifth Committees
(b)	Chapters IV and V (sections A and H)	Plenary meetings and Second Committee
(c)	Chapter V (section C)	Second Committee

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action;

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Fifth Committee

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (item 113):

   (a) United Nations peacekeeping operations;

   (b) United Nations Institute for Training and Research;

   (c) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations (item 114).

3. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 (item 115).

4. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (item 116).

5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations (item 117).

6. Joint Inspection Unit (item 118).[10]

7. Pattern of conferences (item 119).

8. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (item 120).

9. United Nations common system (item 121).

10. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East (item 122):

    (a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force;

    (b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.

11. Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (item 123).

12. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991) (item 124):

    (a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission;

    (b) Other activities.

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[10] The General Assembly decided to allocate the item to the Fifth Committee, on the understanding that the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit dealing with subject-matters assigned to other Main Committees would be referred also to those Committees.

13. Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (item 125).

14. Financing and liquidation of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (item 126).

15. Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters (item 127).

16. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II (item 128).

17. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique (item 129).

18. Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (item 130).

19. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (item 131).

20. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti (item 132).

21. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia (item 133).

22. Financing of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda (item 134).

23. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (item 135).

24. Financing of the United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan (item 136).

25. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (item 137).

26. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (item 138).

27. Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium (item 139).

28. Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force (item 140).

29. Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti (item 141).

30. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (item 142):

(a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations;

(b) Relocation of Ukraine to the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232.

31. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (item 143).

32. Human resources management (item 153).

33. Financing of the Military Observer Group of the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (item 154).

34. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I, V (section B) and VII] (item 12).[11]

35. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (item 17):[12]

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;

(c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;

(d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;

(e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;

(f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission;

(g) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee.

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[11] Chapters I, V (section B) and VII of the report have been referred also to plenary meetings and to the Second and Third Committees.

[12] For sub-items (h) to (j), see "Plenary meetings", item 17.

Sixth Committee

1. Convention on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property (item 144).

2. United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law (item 145).

3. United Nations Decade of International Law (item 146):

   (a) United Nations Decade of International Law;

   (b) Action to be taken in 1999 dedicated to the centennial of the first International Peace Conference and to the closing of the United Nations Decade of International Law;

   (c) Draft guiding principles for international negotiations.

4. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-ninth session (item 147).

5. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirtieth session (item 148).

6. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (item 149).

7. Establishment of an international criminal court (item 150).

8. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (item 151).

9. Measures to eliminate international terrorism (item 152).

10. Amendment to article 13 of the statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal (item 155).